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To: Commissioners Downey, Knox, Scott and Swanson

From: Chairman Getman

Date: January 10, 2002

Re: Addition to January agenda

Attached is an enforcement stipulation that we have just added to the January meeting agenda, under a Bagley-Keene provision that allows such additions on 48-hour notice. The stipulation was entered into as part of a plea agreement in which David Garafalo, a member of the Huntington Beach City Council, today pled guilty to various conflict of interest criminal violations. These include a felony violation of Government Code section 1090 and fifteen misdemeanor violations of Government Code section 87100.

Given the unusual circumstances of this case, we will not consider it as part of our consent agenda. Instead, Steve Russo and his staff counsel will present the case to you and provide a fuller explanation of the circumstances giving rise to the plea agreement and stipulation.